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Education

Ph.D., Social Welfare, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA (2008)

Dissertation: Domestic violence crimes and children: A population-based investigation of children's direct sensory exposure and the nature of their involvement

M.S.S.W., Social Work, University of Texas, Austin, TX (1995)

B.A., Psychology, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, NC (1992)

Academic Employment

Associate Professor (secondary appointment), Clinical and Translational Science Institute, University of Pittsburgh (2014-present)

Associate Professor, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA (2013-present)

Chair of Direct Practice Concentration, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh (2013-present)

Assistant Professor, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA (2007-2013)

Research Projects and Grants

Sleep in Youth who have aged out of Foster Care: Impact on Mental Health (2016-2018) Funded \$10,348 by the University of Pittsburgh Central Research Development Fund *Principal Investigator*

Competitive funding received to collect objective and subjective measures of sleep in youth aging out of foster care. Project will also explore whether sleep quality and quantity mediates health and mental health outcomes in these youth.

Developing Interdisciplinary Collaborations in Gender and Violence Research (2015-2016) Funded \$24,790 by the Vice Provost's Office of Research at the University of Pittsburgh *Co-Principal Investigator (with Sara A. Goodkind)*

Competitive funding received to build interdisciplinary research collaborations on gender and violence across the university by developing a speaker series and a working conference with national and local contributor.

Evaluation of the Implementation of Developmental and Mental Health Screening in Pennsylvania's Child Welfare Services (2009-2013)

Research funded \$578,719 by the Office of Children, Youth, and Families, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Principal Investigator

Evaluated a statewide screening for developmental and socio-emotional problems among all children from birth to 5 years old in the child welfare system.

An Evaluation of an Innovative Program for Youth with Substance Abuse and Mental Health Problems Aging out of Foster Care (2009-2012)

Research funded \$72,658 by the Venango County Children and Youth Services, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Co-Principal Investigator (with Mary E. Rauktis)

Collaborated with a rural county to evaluate a program developed for aging-out youth with a history of involvement with multiple social service agencies.

Family Group Decision Making: How Does Race Influence Referrals, Satisfaction, and Outcomes in a National Sample? (2007-2009)

Research funded \$8,229 by the Center for Race and Social Problems, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh

Co-Principal Investigator (with Julie S. McCrae)

Analyzed data from the National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-being to examine how race influenced child welfare-involved families' referrals to and satisfaction with Family Group Decision Making.

Does the Assistance of a Child Welfare Advocate Help Battered Women with an Open Child Maltreatment Investigation Negotiate Family Service Planning? (2007-2008)

Research funded \$9,250 by the School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh *Principal Investigator*

Conducted in-depth interviews with child welfare caseworkers to ask about their experiences working with families experiencing co-occurring child maltreatment and intimate partner violence.

A Population-Based Investigation of the Prevalence of Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence and the Co-occurrence of Child Maltreatment. (2003-2005)

Research funded \$50,000 by Administration for Children and Families, Grants for Doctoral Student-Initiated Research in Child Abuse and Neglect, Children's Bureau *Principal Investigator (mentored by Carol W. Spigner)*

Examined the co-occurrence of child maltreatment and exposure to intimate partner violence among all cases investigated by law enforcement across a large county.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Fusco, R.A., Jung, N., & Newhill, C. (in press). Does maternal mental health mediate the relationship between maternal victimization and child trauma? *Children and Youth Services Review*.

- Rauktis, M.E., Fusco, R.A., Goodkind, S.A., & Bradley-King, C. (in press). "After I had children I noticed I was treated differently": White mothers' experiences of parenting Black/White biracial children. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*.
- Fusco, R.A. (in press). Socioemotional problems in children exposed to intimate partner violence: Mediating effects of family and social supports. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*.
- Kim, Y.J & Fusco, R.A. (2015). Does sense of control impact depression in post-discharged psychiatric patients? *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease*, 203, 850-855.
- Fusco, R.A. (2015). Second generation mothers in child welfare: Factors that predict service engagement. *Child and Adolescent Social Work Journal*, 32, 545-554.
- Kolivoski, K.M., Shook, J.J., Johnson, H.C., Goodkind, S.A., Fusco, R.A., & Delisi, M. (in press). Applying legal socialization to the child welfare system: Do youths' perceptions of caseworkers matter? *Child and Youth Care Forum*.
- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H. (2015). Socioemotional problems among young children in out-of-home care: A comparison of kinship and foster care placements. *Journal of Family Social Work*, 18, 183-201.
- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H. (2014). Young children in the child welfare system: Which factors contribute to trauma symptomology? *Child Welfare*, 92(5), 37-47.
- Fusco, R.A. (2013). "It's hard enough to deal with all the abuse issues": Child welfare workers' experiences with intimate partner violence on their caseloads. *Children and Youth Services Review*, *35*, 1946-1953.
- Perry, M.A., Sekino, Y., & Fusco, R.A. (2013). Parent voices: Head Start assessment validation procedures with partner parents. *National Head Start Association Dialog*.
- Weaver, A., Greeno, C., Marcus, S., Fusco, R.A., Zimmerman, T., & Anderson, C. (2013). Effects of Structural Family Therapy on child and maternal mental health symptomatology. *Research on Social Work Practice*, *23*, 294-303.
- Fusco, R.A. & Cahalane, H.G. (2013). Developmental and social-emotional screening in child welfare: Implications for young children in rural settings. *Journal of Public Child Welfare*, 7, 154-171.
- Uffner, B.C., Rauktis, M.E., & Fusco, R.A. (2012). A time of transition: The impact of rural youth services on education, housing, and employment. *Journal of Child and Youth Care Work*.

- Fusco, R.A., & Rauktis, M.E. (2012). Transracial mothering and maltreatment risk: Are mothers of biracial children different? *Child Welfare*, *91*, 55-77.
- Rauktis, M.E., Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H. (2011). "Try to make it seem like we're regular kids": Young adult perspectives on out-of-home care restrictions. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 33(7), 1224-1233.
- McCrae, J.S., Cahalane, H., & Fusco, R.A. (2011). Directions for developmental screening in child welfare based on the Ages and Stages Questionnaires. *Children and Youth Services Review*, *33*(8), 1412-1418.
- Fusco, R.A. (2010). Intimate partner violence in interracial couples: A comparison to White and ethnic minority monoracial couples. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, 25, 1785-1800.
- Fusco, R.A., Rauktis, M.E., McCrae, J.S., Cunningham, M.A, & Bradley-King, C.R. (2010). Aren't they just Black kids? Biracial children in the child welfare system. *Child & Family Social Work*, 15, 389-504.
- McCrae, J.S., & Fusco, R.A. (2010). A racial comparison of families involved in Family Group Decision Making across the U.S. *Child & Family Social Work, 15,* 41-55.
- Fusco, R.A., & Fantuzzo, J.W. (2009). Children's exposure to and involvement in domestic violence crimes: Results from a suburban population. *Children and Youth Services Review*, *31*(2), 249-256.
- Fantuzzo, J.W., & Fusco, R.A. (2007). Children's direct exposure to types of domestic violence crimes: A population-based investigation. *Journal of Family Violence*, 22(7), 543-552.
- Fantuzzo, J.W., & Fusco, R.A. (2007). Children's direct sensory exposure to substantiated domestic violence crimes. *Violence & Victims*, 22, 158-171.
- Fantuzzo, J.W., Fusco, R.A., Mohr, W. M., & Perry, M.A. (2007). Domestic violence and children's presence: A population-based study of law enforcement surveillance of domestic violence. *Journal of Family Violence*, 22(6), 331-340.
- Fantuzzo, J. W., Bulotsky-Shearer, R., Fusco, R. A., & McWayne, C. (2005). An investigation of preschool classroom behavioral adjustment and socio-emotional school readiness competencies. *Early Childhood Research Quarterly*, 20, 259-275.

Articles under Review

- Fusco, R.A. (2016). Drug use among child welfare-involved mothers: Predictors, service engagement, and strengths-based practice. *Child Welfare*.
- Goodkind, S., & Fusco, R. A. (2016). A comparative examination of coping behaviors among girls and boys in the juvenile justice system. *Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice*.

- Fusco, R.A. (2016). Child maltreatment and behavior problems in young children: The mediating role of sleep. *Child Maltreatment*.
- Weaver, A., Greeno, C.G., Fusco, R.A., Zimmerman, T., & Anderson, C. M. (2016). "Not just one, it's both of us": Low-income mothers' perceptions of Structural Family Therapy delivered in a semi-rural community mental health center. *Community Mental Health Journal*.

Book Chapters

- Fusco, R.A., & Rauktis, M.E. (2013). "They brought me in like I was their own kid: Youth and caregiver perceptions of out-of-home care." In H. Cahalane (Ed.), *Contemporary issues in child welfare practice* (pp. 17-38). New York: Springer.
- Perry, M.A., & Fusco, R.A. (2013). Child welfare practice in a systems of care framework. In H. Cahalane (Ed.), *Contemporary issues in child welfare practice* (pp. 1-15). New York: Springer.

Technical Reports

- Child Welfare Education and Research Programs (Cahalane, H.G., Fusco, R.A., Perry, M. & Rauktis, M.E.) (2013). *Developmental and socioemotional screening in Pennsylvania child welfare services: A statewide view of children in child welfare*. Report of the Child Welfare Education and Research Programs, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. Available at http://www.pacwrc.pitt.edu/ASQ2/ASQ%20Report_March%202013_FINAL2.pdf.
- Child Welfare Education and Research Programs (Cahalane, H.G., Fusco, R.A., & Rauktis, M.E.) (2011). *Developmental screening in Pennsylvania child welfare services: Child screening results and caregiver experiences*. Report of the Child Welfare Education and Research Programs, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. Available at http://www.pacwcbt.pitt.edu/ASQ2/ResearchReportTwo_April%202011.pdf.
- Child Welfare Education and Research Programs (Cahalane, H.G., Fusco, R.A., McCrae, J.S., & Rauktis, M.E.) (2010). *Policies to implement developmental screening in Pennsylvania child welfare services: Reports from agency perspective*. Report of the Child Welfare Education and Research Programs, School of Social Work, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. Available at http://www.pacwcbt.pitt.edu/ASQ2/1st%20Research%20Report.pdf.
- Kinnevy, S., Cohen, B., Huang, V., Gelles, R., Bae, H., & Fusco, R. (2003). Evaluation of the transfer of responsibility for child protective investigations to law enforcement in Florida: An analysis of Manatee, Pasco, and Pinellas counties. Report of the Center for Research on Youth and Social Policy, School of Social Work, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

Invited Publications

- Cahalane, H., & Fusco, R.A. (2011). Mobile technology in caseworker visitation: Utility, engagement, and professionalism. *Child Welfare 360°*, 4, 11-14 (invited publication).
- Fantuzzo, J. W., Fusco, R. A., & Peckham, S. M. (2005). Children exposed to domestic violence. In C. B. Fisher & R. M. Lerner (Eds.), *Applied developmental science: An encyclopedia of research, policies, and programs.* Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Books in Progress

Frieze, I., Newhill, C.E., & Fusco, R.A. (2017). Understanding the dynamics of violence in close relationships. New York: Springer. Forthcoming in August 2017.

Juried Presentations

- Fusco, R.A. (2016, January). *Children exposed to intimate partner violence: How family strengths and supports mediate mental health.* Paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- Fusco, R.A., Newhill, C.E. & Jung, N. (2016, January). *Maternal victimization and child traumatic stress: The mediating role of mothers' affect*. Paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- Fusco, R.A., & Goodkind, S.A. (2015, September). Early screening for socioemotional problems among young children: Results from a child welfare system. Paper presented to the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect European Regional Conference, Becharest, Romania.
- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H.G. (2015, January). Socioemotional problems among young children in out-of-home care: A comparison of kinship and foster care placements. Paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA.
- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H.G. (2015, January). Second generation mothers in child welfare: Factors that mediate their children's socioemotional problems. Paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, LA.
- Rauktis, M.E. & Fusco, R.A. (2013, October). *The experiences of White mothers parenting Black/White children: Personal, social and community factors in child welfare involvement.* Paper presented to the Fourth Annual Rita M. McGinley Symposium, Duquesne University School of Nursing, Pittsburgh, PA.
- Rauktis, M.E., & Fusco, R.A. (2013, September). *Transracial mothering and child maltreatment risk*. Paper presented to the International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect European Regional Conference, Dublin, Ireland.

- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H.G. (2013, January). *Demographic, maltreatment, and maternal characteristics that predict trauma symptomology in child welfare involved young children: A statewide analysis.* Paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, San Diego, CA.
- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H.G. (2012, January). *Young children in child welfare: Developmental screening results and caregiver experiences.* Paper presented to the Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- Fusco, R.A., & Cahalane, H.G. (2011, October). *Developmental and socio-emotional screening in child welfare: Implications for young children in rural settings.* Paper presented to the 56th Annual Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA.
- Fusco, R.A., Cahalane, H.G., & Winters, R.R. (2011, August). *Developmental screening using the Ages & Stages Questionnaires: Implications for young children in child welfare.* Poster presented to the 2011 National Child Welfare Evaluation Summit, Washington, DC.
- Fusco, R.A., & Rauktis, M.E. (2011, January). *Aren't they just Black kids? Biracial children in the child welfare system.* Paper presented to the Society for Social Work and Research, 15th Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.
- McCrae, J.S., Cahalane, H.G., & Fusco, R.A. (2011, January). *Directions for developmental screening in child welfare based on the Ages and Stages Questionnaires*. Paper presented to the Society for Social Work and Research, 15th Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.
- Fusco, R.A. (2010, January). *Intimate partner violence in interracial couples: A comparison to White and ethnic minority monoracial couples.* Paper presented to the Society for Social Work and Research, 14th Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Fusco, R.A. (2009, April). *The unique contribution of exposure to intimate partner violence on early childhood outcomes*. Paper symposium presented to the Society for Research on Child Development, 2009 Biennial Meeting, Denver, CO.
- McCrae, J.S., & Fusco, R.A. (2008, October). Family Group Decision Making with African American and Caucasian families: Referrals, satisfaction, and services. Paper presented to the 54th Annual Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Philadelphia, PA.
- Fusco, R. A., (2008, July). An examination of the severity of domestic violence in interracial couples: An ecological perspective. Paper presented to the International Family Violence and Child Victimization Research Conference, Portsmouth, NH.
- Fusco, R.A. (2008, June). From passive witnesses to unwilling participants: An exploration of children's involvement in domestic violence. Poster presented at Head Start's 9th National Research Conference, Washington, DC.

- Fusco, R.A. (2007, March). *Children's direct sensory exposure to domestic violence and associated risk characteristics: A population-based study*. Poster presented to the Society for Research on Child Development, 2007 Biennial Meeting, Boston, MA.
- Fusco, R.A. (2007, January). *A population-based study of children's direct sensory exposure to domestic violence*. Paper presented to the Society for Social Work and Research, 11th Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- Sekino, Y., Perry, M.A., & Fusco, R.A. (2006, June). *Parent Voices: Assessment validation procedure with parent partners*. Poster presentation at Head Start's 8th National Research Conference, Washington, DC.
- Fusco, R.A., & Fantuzzo, J.W. (2005, September). *Children exposed to domestic violence:*Prevalence and co-occurrence with maltreatment. Paper presented to the Family Violence and Sexual Assault Institute, 10th International Conference on Family Violence, San Diego, CA.
- Fusco, R.A. (2005, May). *The prevalence and nature of children exposed to domestic violence*. Paper symposium presented to the Society for Prevention Research, 13th Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
- Fusco, R.A. & Spigner, C.W. (2005, April). A population-based study of children exposed to domestic violence and its co-occurrence with child maltreatment. Paper presented to the Administration for Children and Families, Children's Bureau Grantee's Conference, Boston, MA.
- Fusco, R.A., & Fantuzzo, J.W. (2004, August). *Children exposed to domestic violence: A university-law enforcement research partnership*. Paper presented to American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children, 12th Annual Colloquium, Los Angeles, CA.
- Fusco, R.A., & Fantuzzo, J.W. (2004, July). *A population-based study of children exposed to domestic violence*. Paper presented to Victimization of Children and Youth: An International Research Conference, The University of New Hampshire, Portsmouth, NH.
- Fusco, R.A., & Fantuzzo, J. W. (2004, June). *Children's exposure to domestic violence: A distinctive typology indicating child risk*. Poster presentation at Head Start's 7th National Research Conference, Washington, DC.

Invited Presentations

Fusco, R.A. (2015, May). *Child maltreatment and child trauma: Understanding the role of early neurodevelopment*. Presented to the 10th Annual Pittsburgh Conference on Child Maltreatment. Pittsburgh, PA.

Fusco, R.A. (2014, March). Anticipating ethical challenges in qualitative research: Interviews and focus groups. Presented to the Clinical & Translational Science Institute Responsible Conduct of Research Center, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.

Courses Taught

Ph.D Program

• Capstone (year-long course)

MSW Program

- Social Work Practice with Families
- Human Behavior in the Social Environment
- Human Behavior in the Social Environment II: Children and Families at-Risk
- Intimate Partner Violence (practice course)

BASW Program

• Human Behavior in the Social Environment

Dissertation and Thesis Committees

Yoo Jung Kim (Social Work; expected 2016)

Courtney Queen (Social Work; expected 2015)

Chereese Phillips (Social Work; 2015)

Cameron Needle (Social Work/Public Health; 2014)

Addie Weaver (Social Work; 2011)

Hanae Kanno (Social Work; 2010)

Elana Barkowitz (Public Health; 2010)

Christine Litschge (Social Work; 2009)

Supervision of Doctoral Student Teaching

Patricia M. Bamwine (2015-2016)

Amber Bahorik (2013-2014)

Samantha Teixeira (2012-2013)

Yoonmi Kim (2011-2012)

Eunhee Choi (2010)

Christine Litschge (2008-2009)

Other Mentoring Activities

Faculty Mentor, Albert Schweitzer Fellowship Program. Fellow: Marie Gagnon (2013-2014). International program that immerses graduate students in an experiential learning process designed to develop and enhance the skills and abilities necessary to become lifelong leaders in service.

Faculty Mentor, Bridging the Gaps. Fellows: Glory Ojiere and Taylor Maffett (2013). Statewide program that links the training of health and social service professionals with the provision of health-related services for underserved and economically disadvantaged populations.

Student Advising and Field Liaison Work

Each semester carry an academic advising load of roughly 20 MSW students

Each semester conduct roughly 9 field visits for second-year MSW student placements

Social Work Practice

Lead Therapist, Kerr Youth and Family Center, Portland, OR (1997-2000) Served as the lead therapist at a residential treatment facility for adolescent girls with mental health concerns. Provided individual, group, and family therapy and worked as part of a multidisciplinary team.

Clinical Social Worker III, Austin State Hospital, Austin, TX (1996-1997)
Provided case management and therapy to children, adolescents, and adults in an inpatient psychiatric hospital. Coordinated and facilitated discharge planning.

Children's Program Specialist, Center for Battered Women, Austin, TX (1996) Developed a therapeutic program for children who had been exposed to intimate partner violence. Provided individual and family therapy and supervised a team of two employees and eight volunteers.

Social Worker II, Intensive Family Preservation Unit, Children's Protective Services, Austin, TX (1995-1996)

Provided family preservation services, including case management, to families with substantiated cases of child abuse.

Social Work Intern, Child Abuse Investigations Unit, Children's Protective Services, Austin, TX (1994-1995)

Social Work Intern, Communities in Schools, Crockett High School, Austin, TX (1992-1993)

Editorial Reviewer

Child Welfare, Reviewer	2012-present
Journal of Public Child Welfare, Reviewer	2012-present
Child Maltreatment, Reviewer	2011-present
Child & Family Social Work, Reviewer	2010-present
Journal of Interpersonal Violence, Reviewer	2009-present
Journal of Family Violence, Reviewer	2008-present
Society for Social Work and Research, abstract reviewer	2008-present
Council on Social Work Education, abstract reviewer	2008-present
Society for Research in Child Development, abstract reviewer	2007; 2009; 2011

Books Reviewed

- Vaughn, M., DeLisi, M., & Matto, H. (2013). *Human behavior: A cell to society approach*. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley
- Dorr, C. (2014). *The case approach to clinical social work: Integrating theory and practice*. New York: Oxford.

Grants Reviewed

- **Grant Reviewer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration** (2016, February). *National Child Traumatic Stress Institute Infrastructure Grants*.
- Grant Reviewer, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (2016, January). SSHRC Insight Grants (Canada).
- **Grant Reviewer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration** (2015, July). *System of Care Expansion and Sustainability Cooperative Agreements.*
- **Grant Reviewer,** Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau (2015, May). *Building the Evidence for Family Group Decision Making in Child Welfare*.

- **Grant Reviewer,** Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (2015, April). Cooperative Agreements for Expansion and Sustainability of Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances.
- **Grant Reviewer,** Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (2015, July). *System of Care Expansion and Sustainability Cooperative Agreements.*
- **Grant Reviewer,** Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau (2014, August). *Quality Improvement Center for Research-Based Infant-Toddler Court*.
- **Grant Reviewer,** Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (2014, July). "Now is the Time" Healthy Transitions (HT): Improving Life Trajectories for Youth and Young Adults With, or at Risk For, Serious Mental Health Conditions.
- **Grant Reviewer,** Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau (2014, June). *Grants in Child Maltreatment Research Using Innovative Approaches*.
- **Grant Reviewer,** Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau (2012, August). Family Connection Grants: Combination Family-finding/Family Group Decision-making Projects.
- **Grant Reviewer,** Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau (2012, July). *Early Education Partnerships to Expand Protective Factors for Children with Child Welfare Involvement.*
- **Grant Reviewer,** Administration for Children, Youth, and Families, Children's Bureau (2008, August). Supporting Evidence-based Home Visitation Programs to Prevent Child Maltreatment. Washington, DC.

Honors and Awards

- Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study Fellow, Summer Data Institute, Columbia University (2015)
- 2015 Chancellor's Excellence in Teaching Award (Nominee), University of Pittsburgh (2015)
- Longitudinal Studies of Child Abuse and Neglect (LONGSCAN) Fellow, Summer Research Institute, Cornell University (2010)
- National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect Fellow, Summer Research Institute, Cornell University (2009)
- Provost's Diversity Seminar Fellow, Office of the Provost, University of Pittsburgh (2008)

University Service

- University Faculty Senate (elected position), University of Pittsburgh (2013-present).
- **Faculty Executive Committee (elected position),** University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2010-2012).
- **BASW Program Committee**, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2010-present).
- **Educational Policies Committee (elected position),** University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2009-present).
- **Chair,** Human Behavior in the Social Environment Sequence, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2008-present).
- **Direct Practice Committee**, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2008-present).
- **Chair,** Center for Race and Social Problem's Research Advisory Panel on Youth, Families, and the Elderly, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2008-2010).
- **MSW Foundations Committee,** University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2007-2010; 2012-present).
- MSW Program Committee, University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work (2007-2010).

Community Service

- Parent-Child Interaction Therapy International Continuing Education Task Force (2013-2015)
- **Living Proof Podcast,** SUNY Buffalo School of Social Work. Title: *Developmental and mental health screening in child welfare: Implications for young children in rural settings.*Invited to be interviewed for educational series (April, 2012).
- **Advisory Board,** Grace Ann Geibel Institute for Justice and Social Responsibility, Carlow University. Invited to participate on a board addressing dating violence among college students resulting in policy changes at a local university (2008-2009).
- **Advisory Committee,** Lydia's Place Feasibility Project. Invited to participate in a committee to provide recommendations about a transitional housing program for women immediately following incarceration (2009-2010).
- **Advisory Board Member,** Clinical Network on Children's Exposure to Domestic Violence. Invited to sit on board comprised of representatives of Philadelphia agencies serving children, with the goal of improving the city's response to children exposed to domestic violence (2006-2010).

Professional Memberships

Council on Social Work Education (2007-present)

Society for Social Work and Research (2003-present)

Society for Research in Child Development (2003-present)

National Association of Social Workers (1994-present)